(iii) Transfer of Lands.

514. There were 4,552 transfers of land by the Order of Courts—Civil and Revenue, involving an extent of 17,175 acres. Transfer by private contracts and mortgages numbered 1,54,403 involving an extent of 3,77,737 acres, excluding Bellary. In Bellary District there were 9,419 transfers of land involving an extent of 1,88,784 acres relating to all these categories except transfers by mortgages.

(iv) Labour and Wages.

515. The rates of wages both skilled and unskilled, cart hire and handling charges showed generally no marked change as compared with those in the preceding year except in the case of Bellary District where it is reported that there was a slight fall in the rates of wages as compared with those of the previous year. Several industrial concerns, several irrigation, road and buildings works undertaken by the Public Works Department provided ample labour to the working classes. There was no unusual movement of people in search of employment either from or into the State during the year except (1) the movement of labourers into the State from South Canara and bordering areas of Manjarabad Taluk during Coffee and Cardamom Picking Season which was normal, (2) immigration of a few labourers from Madras Presidency to Hiriyur Taluk in search of labour and (3) there was also immigration of labourer from outside the State to the Taluks of Shimoga and Bhadravathi where the excavation of Tunga and Bhadra channels was in rapid progress.

(v) Inam Settlement.

516. Seventeen Inam lands of an aggregate area of 127 acres and 22 guntas bearing an assessment of Rs. 185 and a jodi of Rs. 40-15-0 were resumed to Government. Original Survey and Settlement was introduced into seven Inam villages.

517. Original Classification work was done in six (5) villages comprising of 845 (928) blocks with an extent of 2,160 acres and 26 guntas (2,187 acres and 34 guntas).